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1. Köthen Airfield is bordered east and west by highways which allow good security control. Primitive street barriers have been established (items at 11 on map attachment) and all southbound traffic is detoured. IWD troops guard the field and its area.
2. Concrete appears on Köthen hangar aprons but nowhere else. There is only grass on the landing area which is not long enough for jet planes. There is a flare path arrangement and also obstacle lights on neighboring churches and chimneys.
3. There has been little air activity recently. No jets have been seen. Eight Yak-9, six twin-seater fighters, and four twin-engine aircraft were parked on the field.
4. The twin-engine aircraft (Attachment I - A) is a semi-high-winged monoplane with clear-shaped fuselage and rounded nose. The tail assembly is noticeably high. It has retractable landing gear, a 3-bladed propeller, and the radial engine nacelles are set on the underhalf of the wing. They were painted a rusty brown with the usual red star but no other markings.
5. The twin-seater, single engine fighter (Attachment I - B) is a low-winged monoplane with trapezoidal wings, semi-rounded wing tips, and butterfly shaped tail surfaces. The engines are in-line, the cockpit is open and the landing gear is retractable. These aircraft were painted olive green.

Enclosures: I - Sketches of two unidentified aircraft
II - Map of Köthen airfield

Key to Köthen airfield

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| A. Field area | 7. Vaulted-roof hangar |
| B. Former industrial area | 8. Billots |
| 1. Small wooden workshop with vaulted roof | 9. Administration buildings |
| 2. Hangar with vaulted roof | 10. Main guard buildings |
| 3. Hangar with vaulted roof and vacant | 11. Road barricades |
| 4. Flat-roofed garage | |
| 5. Flat-roofed hangar with workshop wings | |
| 6. HP, with tower for radio and weather | |
- Southern border of field

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